

Fast Food Fax

MAY 30, 2005

Trade sentiment was steady. Demand ranged fair to good, best where features were planned. In the parts complex, breast items were adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Dark meat cuts were in close balance to well cleared. Wings were fully adequate. Weights were in a full range but were mostly desirable.

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

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Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: May. 14, 2005

	FOOD SERVICE/			
	<u>FAST FOOD</u>	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 - 5.25	5.26 & Up	----
Total (000)	24,951	23,888	51,044	99,883
Percentage	25%	24%	51%	100%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weights</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weights</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	4,436	4.44
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	7,152	7.16
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	8,359	8.37
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	5,004	5.01
		24,951	24.98

BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chic ks Placed		Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	%* *
Mar 26	213,499	101	175,940	102	209,544	101	172,928	102	151,161	96
\pr 02	212,188	100	176,899	102	212,630	104	175,504	105	155,010	103
\pr 09	214,772	101	175,572	102	212,630	104	175,869	105	157,429	102
\pr 16	213,756	100	176,618	102	213,234	103	176,799	105	158,035	100
\pr 23	214,034	100	175,287	101	213,830	103	176,267	104	161,112	102
\pr 30	214,496	101	178,776	102	213,897	102	176,772	103	162,731	101
\ay 07	214,203	101	177,440	101	213,989	101	176,235	102	163,999	101
\ay 14	216,003	101	178,071	102	214,750	102	176,843	103	163,338	100
\ay 21	215,753	101	175,395	100	213,629	101	176,671	102	163,035	100

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
Week of 05/30/05				
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	71-74	71.29	71.29	82.76
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	66-69	68.70	68.81	79.76
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	81	80.40	79.63	83.00
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		71.69	73.20	81.84
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 7450)		73.38	73.18	77.93
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		55.11	56.82	80.39

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast (Delivered)	Southern States (FOB)	Georgia (FOB)
<u>Weekly Weighted Average</u>	<u>05/27/05</u>	<u>05/27/05</u>	<u>05/30/05</u>
Breast - B/S	139.81	135.25	146.00
Tenderloins	129.66	129.25	174.50 (Line run)
Breast - Line Run	82.39	85.28	84.00 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	39.99	37.45	39.00
Wings	88.56	81.74	84.50